

REMARKS

Claims 1-33 remain in this application. Claims 1-26, 28, and 29 have been withdrawn. Claims 27, 30, 31, and 33 have been rejected. Claims 34-37 are new. Support for the new claims can be found throughout the application as originally filed and at least in the claims as originally filed.

The Examiner has rejected claim 27 because the employment of "a" prior to poly(6-acryloyl-beta-O-methyl monosaccharide).

Applicants have removed the "a".

Applicants have also removed the word "regioregular".

The Examiner has rejected claim 27 as being incomplete for omitting essential steps.

Claim 27 has been amended and more clearly defines the invention.

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 27 is now an allowable claim.

As the dependent claims add further limitations to the independent claim 27 the dependent claims are allowable for at least the same reasons as claim 27.

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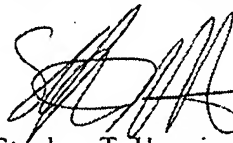
Conclusion

Any extension of time necessary to avoid abandonment of this application is hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and any fees required are hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0281.

Applicant believes that the above constitutes a full and complete reply and that the stated grounds for rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated or rendered moot. In view of the above remarks, Applicants believes the pending application is in condition for allowance. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider and promptly withdraw the outstanding objections and rejections. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned for any reason so as to expedite the examination of this application

Applicants respectfully request that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,



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